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for Development**

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The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 70/192 of 22 December 2015 and 71/217 of 21 December 2016 on the follow-up to and implementation of the outcomes of the International Conferences on Financing for Development and its resolution 70/299 of 29 July 2016 on the follow-up and review of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development at the global level,

Reaffirming its resolution 69/313 of 27 July 2015 on the Addis Ababa Action Agenda of the Third International Conference on Financing for Development, which is an integral part of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development,¹ supports and complements it, helps to contextualize its means of implementation targets with concrete policies and actions, and reaffirms the strong political commitment to address the challenge of financing and creating an enabling environment at all levels for sustainable development in the spirit of global partnership and solidarity,

Recalling the International Conference on Financing for Development, held in Monterrey, Mexico, from 18 to 22 March 2002, the Follow-up International Conference on Financing for Development to Review the Implementation of the Monterrey Consensus, held in Doha from 29 November to 2 December 2008, and the Third International Conference on Financing for Development, held in Addis Ababa from 13 to 16 July 2015,

Reaffirming its resolution 70/1 of 25 September 2015, entitled "Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development", in which it adopted a comprehensive, far-reaching and people-centred set of universal and transformative

^{*} On behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China.

¹ Resolution 70/1.



Sustainable Development Goals and targets, its commitment to working tirelessly for the full implementation of the Agenda by 2030, its recognition that eradicating poverty in all its forms and dimensions, including extreme poverty, is the greatest global challenge and an indispensable requirement for sustainable development, its commitment to achieving sustainable development in its three dimensions — economic, social and environmental — in a balanced and integrated manner, and to building upon the achievements of the Millennium Development Goals and seeking to address their unfinished business,

Reaffirming also the importance of addressing the diverse needs and challenges faced by countries in special situations, in particular African countries, least developed countries, landlocked developing countries and small island developing States and countries in conflict and post-conflict situations, as well as the specific challenges faced by middle-income countries,

Stressing the importance of inclusiveness within the United Nations development system and that no country and no one is left behind in the implementation of the present resolution,

Committing, in this regard, to supporting the implementation of the relevant programmes of action as an integral part of the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development,

Welcoming the convening of the second annual Economic and Social Council forum on financing for development follow-up from 22 to 25 May 2017,

Welcoming also the appointment of the members of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters with increased representation of experts from developing countries,

Recalling the intergovernmentally agreed conclusions and recommendations of the 2017 Economic and Social Council forum on financing for development follow-up,² which decided that the third forum would convene from 23 to 26 April 2018 and would include the special high-level meeting with the Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development,

1. *Emphasizes* the need to work towards the full and timely implementation of all the commitments included in the Addis Ababa Action Agenda of the Third International Conference on Financing for Development;³

2. *Takes note with appreciation* of the first substantive report of the Inter-Agency Task Force on Financing for Development,⁴ and notes that progress can be reported in all seven action areas of the Addis Ababa Action Agenda, while acknowledging that many implementation gaps remain;

3. *Welcomes* the intergovernmentally agreed conclusions and recommendations of the 2017 Economic and Social Council forum on financing for development follow-up,² urges their full, effective and timely implementation, and looks forward to staying engaged so as to assess progress, identify obstacles and challenges in the implementation of the financing for development outcomes and the delivery of the means of implementation, promote the sharing of lessons learned from experiences at the national and regional levels, address new and emerging topics of relevance to the implementation of this agenda as the need arises and provide policy recommendations for action by the international community in

² See E/FFDF/2017/3.

³ Resolution 69/313, annex.

⁴ *Financing for Development: Progress and Prospects* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.17.L.5).

substantive intergovernmentally agreed conclusions and recommendations at the 2018 forum;

4. *Calls upon* the relevant organizations of the United Nations system, within their respective mandates and resources, to ensure that no country and no one is left behind in the implementation of the present resolution;

5. *Looks forward* to the summary by the President of the Economic and Social Council of the 2018 Economic and Social Council forum on financing for development follow-up;

6. *Invites* the President of the Economic and Social Council to begin early planning of the 2018 Economic and Social Council forum on financing for development follow-up;

7. *Recalls* that decisions relating to the Economic and Social Council forum on financing for development follow-up are to be contained within the forum's intergovernmentally agreed conclusions and recommendations;

8. *Welcomes* the holding of the 2017 Global Infrastructure Forum in Washington, D.C., on 22 April 2017, and reiterates that the Forum is mandated to identify and address infrastructure and capacity gaps in developing countries, particularly in the least developed countries, landlocked developing countries, small island developing States and African countries, considering that these countries are the ones most affected by a lack of sustainable and resilient infrastructure, while facing serious financing challenges due to insufficient access to resources from both the public and private sectors, resulting in a wider global infrastructure gap;

9. *Welcomes* the progress made in operationalizing the three components of the Technology Facilitation Mechanism and the holding of the first annual multi-stakeholder forum on science, technology and innovation for the Sustainable Development Goals, which is important, inter alia, in helping to facilitate the development, transfer and dissemination of relevant technologies for the Goals, looks forward to the establishment of the online platform as part of the Mechanism, and welcomes the progress made in operationalizing the technology bank for the least developed countries;

10. *Takes note with appreciation* of the convening of the second annual multi-stakeholder forum on science, technology and innovation for the Sustainable Development Goals in New York on 15 and 16 May 2017, whose Co-Chairs' summary⁵ served as an input to the high-level political forum on sustainable development, and in this regard requests the President of the General Assembly to convene briefings by the Co-Chairs of the multi-stakeholder forum for Member States, which shall take place no later than January 2018, on the recommendations contained in the Co-Chairs' summary with regard to the next steps for the multi-stakeholder forum;

11. *Recognizes* that the Addis Ababa Action Agenda provides a global framework for financing sustainable development and is an integral part of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, supports and complements it and helps to contextualize its means of implementation targets with concrete policies and actions, which relate to domestic public resources, domestic and international private business and finance, international development cooperation, international trade as an engine for development, debt and debt sustainability, addressing systemic issues and science, technology, innovation and capacity-building, and data, monitoring and follow-up;

⁵ See E/HLPF/2017/4.

12. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its seventy-third session a report elaborating proposals on thematic issues to be addressed in future reports of the Inter-Agency Task Force on Financing for Development, in consultation with the Task Force and taking into consideration the deliberations of the second and upcoming third sessions of the Economic and Social Council forum on financing for development follow-up and new and emerging topics of relevance, with wide consultation with Member States during the preparation process, for its consideration and appropriate action, including providing substantive guidance on thematic issues to be covered in future reports of the Task Force;

13. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy third session the item entitled "Follow-up to and implementation of the outcomes of the International Conferences on Financing for Development".
